

Traumatic Brain Injuries in Utah

by Small Area, 2009

Introduction

Every day in Utah, 37 people are treated and released from an emergency room due to a traumatic brain injury (TBI). Another seven are hospitalized or die each day from a TBI. In 2009, TBIs resulted in the hospitalization of 2,395 Utahns and the death of 471 Utahns.

Traumatic brain injuries can have a dramatic impact on a person's ability to lead an active, fulfilling life. TBIs can affect an individual's ability to work, their short and long-term memory, vision, sleep, mood, and movement.

Small Areas with the Highest TBI Rates in Utah

Utah has 61 small areas, which are determined by population size, political boundaries, and economic similarity. Small areas contain one or more ZIP codes. The following small areas had the highest TBI rates compared to the state rate:

- Other Southwest District
- Glendale
- South Salt Lake
- Murray
- TriCounty HD
- Taylorsville
- Kearns
- Juab/Millard/Sanpete Counties
- Sandy Center
- West Valley East

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TBI Hospitalization & Death Rate by Small Area, Utah, 2009

